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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Security

SUBJECT : Request for Director of Security Assessment Regarding
Continuance of Functions and Possible Placement

1. The functions subcommittee has been tasked with reviewing the functions of SRS and recommending disposition of each, and has sought guidance as to which functions should be continued or discontinued, and, if continued, possible placement of those functions within the reorganization. Since most of the priority functions of this Staff were assigned by yourself or your predecessors, it would appear appropriate to obtain your judgment or assessment of each such effort, both in regard to continuance and as to ultimate location of the function in the reorganization, if continued.

2. For reference, the following reflects the present staffing of the Security Research Staff and that of the Research Branch, Clearance Division, DD/PSI, which in some ways will be the successor:

<u>Security Research Staff</u>	<u>Research Branch</u>	
25X9	25X9	25X9
Professionals*	Professionals**	
Clerical	Clerical**	

*The functions and activities of the present Deputy Chief, SRS, are integrated elsewhere in the reorganization and such of his activities which might be expected to continue, such as liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, are not included in SRS functions which need review.

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* [REDACTED]

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3. Thus, with four professionals to perform many of the functions formerly carried out by this Staff, it is apparent there must be a severe reduction of functions in the new Research Branch, either by elimination of function or by transfer of the function to another Office of Security component. Many of the functions in which you have expressed interest in the past can be diminished or compressed. For example:

a. Two officers presently expend much of their effort in counterintelligence liaison (other than with the FBI) serving requests by OS components against other agencies and responding to other agencies' requests. This activity could probably be compressed further into one full-time officer with some loss in effectiveness and response time.

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c. One officer, on an almost full-time basis, expends efforts on employee contacts with media and media analysis and review of compartmented information on international narcotics involvement by individuals, both U.S. and foreign. Two other officers do part-time exploitation of compartmented information dealing with U.S. citizens under espionage targeting, investigation, or arrest by foreign authorities. Possibly the work of these latter two officers could be consolidated with the media and narcotics effort (both described as of extremely high priority in the Agency's five-year plan) and performed on a slightly less effective basis by one officer.

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But, even with such compressions as indicated, we have consumed three of the four positions in the new Research Branch available for such work and leave only one officer for all other functions, both retained such as the exploitation of defector materials, a comprehensive counterintelligence program, etc., and as directed by his Division chief.

4. For immediate planning purposes, to fulfill the early deadlines already established, it would be appreciated if you would review the attached outlines of existing functions and indicate your desires regarding the function (continue, continue with low priority, discontinue), and where you wish

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any retained functions to be placed in the reorganization structure. In the latter instance, I have attempted to indicate the more likely options for this to facilitate your assessment.

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Chief, Security Research Staff

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PRESENT SRS FUNCTION
(Description)

D/OS DECISION REGARDING
FUNCTION

PLACEMENT OF FUNCTION
(If to be continued)

Source Programs

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a. [REDACTED] Nonstaff em-
ployee assets

(✓) Continue
() Continue, low priority
() Discontinue

Research Branch ()
~~Operations Support Branch~~ (✓)
Domestic Survey Branch ()
Building Security Branch ()
Other _____ ()

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b. [REDACTED] Staff employee
assets

(✓) Continue
() Continue, low priority
() Discontinue

Research Branch ()
Operations Support Branch (✓)
Staff & Operations Branch ()
External Activities Branch ()
Other _____ ()

c. Special Access Sources

(✓) Continue
(✓) Continue, low priority
() Discontinue

Research Branch ()
Case Officer to Piggyback ()
Operations Support Branch (✓)
Other _____ ()

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Media Analysis: Monitor, index
and file employee contact with
news media; analysis of media
and CIA publicity; leak in-
quiries; personality sketches
on members of media

() Continue *assigned*
() Continue, low priority
() Discontinue

Research Branch ()
Special Security Center ()
Operations Support Branch ()
Staff & Operations Branch ()
Other _____ ()

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